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APPLICANT:	HALE, ET AL.	}	EXAMINER:
SERIAL NO.:	10/633,877	}	ART UNIT: 3743
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TITLE:	THIN-FILM DRUG DELIVERY ARTICLE AND METHOD OF USE	}	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the above-referenced application be amended as indicated below before consideration of patentability on the merits. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 401.14(f)(4), Applicant respectfully requests that the necessary clause be incorporated by amendment into the Specification of the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.